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LETTER DATED 16 APRIL 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Forces directed, controlled and supported by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) continue their assault on the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and, in particular, intensify their assault on Srebrenica. This assault is an act of genocide perpetrated in violation of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide.

It constitutes a direct violation of the Order of the International Court of Justice that the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) "should in particular ensure that any military, paramilitary or irregular armed units which may be directed or supported by it as well as any organizations and persons which may be subject to its control, direction or influence do not commit any acts of genocide, of conspiracy to commit genocide, of direct and public incitement to commit genocide, or of complicity in genocide ...".

Pursuant to Article 94, paragraph 2 of the Charter of the United Nations, request is hereby made that the Security Council take immediate measures under Chapter VII of the Charter to stop the assault and to enforce the Order of the International Court of Justice.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
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